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Historic Class To Be Graduated May 16

Gardner-Webb College will graduate its historic first senior class in traditional pomp and pageantry Sunday, May 16.

About 270 students are candidates for degrees. Following the footsteps of alumni before them, they'll walk in caps and gowns through the landmark arch and across the spring-flowering campus in their processional. They'll be making history of their own, however, as a majority of them will receive the college's first bachelor's degrees. Gardner-Webb added a senior class this year to complete its advancement to four-year status.

The day's events will begin with 11 a.m. baccalaureate services in Bost Physical Education Building. Dr. Nathan Brooks Jr., director of the Church Programs Division of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, will be speaker.

Principal speaker for graduation exercises, scheduled for 3 p.m. in the Bost building, will be Dr. William C. Archie, executive director of the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation of Winston-Salem.

Dr. Archie, a Salisbury native, completed undergraduate study at Davidson College and earned a master's degree at Wake Forest College. He further earned master's and doctor's degrees in Romance languages at Princeton University. Before becoming director of the foundation in 1966, he held teaching and academic posts at Wake Forest College, Duke University, Emory University and the University of Delaware. He was director of the N. C. Board of Higher Education in 1961-65. He is a member of the Davidson College Board of Visitors and the Warren Wilson College Board of Trustees.

Dr. Brooks, baccalaureate speaker, attended Mars Hill College and received A. B. and D. D. degrees from Wake Forest College. He received the Th. M. degree from Southern Baptist Seminary and did further graduate study at Columbia University. He served as minister of several Baptist churches in the South before assuming his present duties in 1966.

DR. W. C. ARCHIE

DR. NATHAN BROOKS JR.

Alumni Directors, 2 Chapters Meet

G-W Alumni Association officers held their quarterly meeting on campus April 17, with President John Roberts presiding.

Business items included the nomination of new directors, plans for the Annual Fund and final details for the Spring Jubilee and alumni banquet May 1.

Jesse Taylor, financial aid and placement director, discussed G-W's first seniors and their major fields and his office's work with their placement in employment.

SPARTANBURG CHAPTER

G-W alumni of the Spartanburg, S. C., area met April 6 for a covered dish supper at the home of Troy and Polly Bridges. Approximately 25 people attended.

The program was provided by Professor M. A. Moseley of the college and Mrs. Moseley, who shared experiences gleaned from their 20-year association with Gardner-Webb.

Troy Bridges was reelected chapter president.

CHARLOTTE CHAPTER

Thirty-three persons attended a meeting of Charlotte area alumni March 26 at the S & W Cafeteria. Kathie Loveland Phillips, alumna of Hendersonville, and Shirley Young of Mocksville, G-W student, provided a musical program. Dr. E. Eugene Poston, college president, discussed G-W's accreditation project and the current capital funds campaign.

The Rev. W. C. Bearden, chapter president, led the session.

Two Summer Sessions Scheduled

G-W will offer nearly 200 different courses during two summer school sessions planned this year.

The first will begin June 7 and conclude July 9. The second will begin July 12. Commencement will be held Aug. 14.

Registration for the first session will be held at 9 a.m. June 7. Classes will be held each day Monday through Friday.

A student may earn as much as six semester hours credit during each of the five week sessions, or seven hours with special permission.

Courses will be offered in the following general areas of study: business administration, economics, physical education, religion, Spanish, biology, chemistry, history, sociology, psychology, music, education, data processing, mathematics, geography, library science, political science, health, theater arts, art and science education.

WITH THE ALUMNI: Keeping Up With Grads

Dr. Robert P. Long '37 is principal of Berlin, Conn., High School and was awarded a doctor of philosophy degree in education last year by the University of Connecticut. With a national reputation as an expert in secondary education, he has served the cause of schools in many state, regional and national commissions, committees and organizations. He has been cited by the Connecticut Association of Secondary Schools for outstanding service to education.

The Rev. **Guy E. Johnson '44** was a recent revival leader at Macedonia Baptist Church in Kings Mountain. The Rev. Mr. Johnson is pastor of Spindale's Main Street Baptist Church.

Vernon L. Snipes '49 of Morganton has been elected a district director of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association. He operates the Morganton Motor Sales dealership.

Kathaleen Dickey Thibodeaux (Mrs. Abbie) **'52** has moved from Bourg, La., to Route 1, Weir, Miss., where her husband will be pastor at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church.

Edgar Harold Bishop '52 has been appointed maintenance supervisor by Fiber Industries, Inc., in Shelby, where he and his wife and son make their home.

The Rev. **Thurman Allred '52** was honored recently at a reception given by the Cabarrus Baptist Association, of which he has been director for the past five years. He and his wife, the former Miss Mary Elizabeth Coble of Greensboro, have four children.

J. C. Sinclair '53 has assumed duties as pastor of Pacolet Hill Baptist Church near Landrum, S. C. He was ordained by Mountain View Church in Green River Baptist Association recently. He and Mrs. Sinclair have three children.

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IN MEMORIAM

Audie Aycock Powell '22, who died Sept. Sept. 17 last year, was a faithful and generous friend of Gardner-Webb College. A former legal advisor for the school, he served as alumni association president in 1960-61, and as chairman of the 1959-60 capital funds drive in which $500,000 was raised for G-W. He also was a charter member of the Bulldog Club. One of five brothers who attended this institution, he was a well-known attorney and former judge in Shelby, where he took part fully in church and community activities.

Guy Daves '19 of Route 4, Dunn, died in March following a heart attack.

James Bryan McGinnis '21 of Charlotte died in November last year after several years' illness.

Max Eugene Radford '50 died March 14, 1971. A resident of Greenville, S. C., he was a technical engineer for J. P. Stevens & Co.

Donald Ralph Hamrick '69 died in combat March 11 in South Vietnam. In the U. S. Army Infantry as a specialist four, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hoyt Hamrick of Route 4, Shelby.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. **David Fox** (**Betty Jane Starnes**) **'62** of Greensboro, a son, Joseph David, March 18, 1971.

Mr. and Mrs. James Douglas Reid (**Marcia Lynn Vickers '67**) of Lexington, a son, James Christopher, Jan. 25, 1971.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven James Hanover (**Linda Rodermund '68**), a son, Andrew Steven, Feb. 17, 1971.

Philip L. Elliott '54, associate professor of English at Furman University, presented a paper at the spring meeting of the Georgia-South Carolina College English Association in Statesboro, Ga. His paper was entitled, "Tennyson's 'Sir Galahad'".

The Rev. **Eugene Passmore '62** has accepted the pastorate of Sunnyside Baptist Church near Gastonia. He is former pastor of Peach Street Baptist Church in Shelby and Second Baptist Church in Henderson.

Pvt. **Michael Lee Jones '62** is undergoing training in administration work at Ft. Jackson, S. C., where he earlier completed basic U. S. Army training. His home is Shelby.

U. S. Air Force T. Sgt. **John D. S. Carpenter II '62** is stationed for duty as a supply supervisor at the U. S. Air Force Academy in Colorado.

Daniel Graham Bivins '68 recently was promoted to Army specialist four at Ft. Hood, Tex., where he is assigned as a wheeled vehicle mechanic for a military intelligence department.

Yvonne Washburn Nordeen '68 and her husband are the parents of a new daughter, Stacey Yvonne, born Jan. 13.

James H. Queen Jr. '69 recently was graduated from recruit training at the Orlando, Fla., naval training center. He's married to the former Miss Virginia A. Branton of Nebo.

IN NEW POST

T. Robert Mullinax '51 has been named executive secretary of the Baptist State Convention Council on Christian Higher Education.

Pastor of First Baptist Church of Laurinburg since March, 1969, he will succeed Ben C. Fisher in the state post.

The Rev. Mr. Mullinax was also graduated from Wake Forest University and Southeastern Seminary, and has served as pastor of several North Carolina Baptist churches.

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It yet remains to be seen just how large our web will grow, but this much we know, once you're wovan in, we never let you go. This is the spirit of Gardner-Webb.